

NOVAK RICHARD L
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NOVAK RICHARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
430 SOUTH SPRING STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/22/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & Chief Operating Officer

BURLINGTON, NC 27215

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005		M		45,133 A \$ 24.46	169,790 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005		S		784 D \$ 48.55	169,006 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005		S		3,972 D \$ 48.5	165,034 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005		S		1,019 D \$ 48.49	164,015 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005		S		6,390 D \$ 48.47	157,625 ⁽²⁾	D

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Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	157	D	\$ 48.45	157,468 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	823	D	\$ 48.42	156,645 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	941	D	\$ 48.41	155,704 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	7,095	D	\$ 48.4	148,609 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	941	D	\$ 48.39	147,668 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	5,331	D	\$ 48.38	142,337 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	1,960	D	\$ 48.36	140,377 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	9,212	D	\$ 48.35	131,165 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	2,313	D	\$ 48.31	128,852 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	1,608	D	\$ 48.3	127,244 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/22/2005	S	2,587	D	\$ 48.25	124,657 ⁽²⁾	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$ 24.46	02/22/2005		M	45,133	02/19/2004 ⁽⁴⁾ - 02/19/2013	Common Stock

